



Legislation Text

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Item:

Presentation of Durham County Library and Durham Public Schools Library Card Initiative

Date Of BOCC Meeting: August 6, 2018

Request For Board Action:

The Board is requested to receive a presentation from Tammy Baggett, Library Director and Matthew Clobridge, Library Technology Management Administrator, on the Durham County Library (DCL) and Durham Public Schools (DPS) library card initiative.

In order to promote literacy, support learning and provide greater student access to Library resources, DCL and DPS have partnered to create a new type of fine-free library card specifically for DPS students. With parent/guardian permission, students can sign up for this card through their school and use it to check out books and access the Library's online resources such as live homework help, test prep and research databases.

A small pilot program was launched in the Spring of 2018 with four DPS schools: Hillandale Elementary School, Carrington Middle School, Rogers-Herr Middle School and Hillside High School. Data from this pilot will be used to refine the program as it rolls out to the entire school district in the Fall of 2018.

Alignment With Strategic Plan: This item aligns with Goal 1 of the Durham County Strategic Plan: Community Empowerment and Enrichment.

Resource Persons: Tammy Baggett, Library Director and Matthew Clobridge, Library Technology Management Administrator

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board receive the presentation from Tammy Baggett, Library Director and Matthew Clobridge, Library Technology Management Administrator, on the Durham County Library and Durham Public Schools library card initiative.

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